

SECTION 1. That Section six (6) of an act entitled "An Act regulating the recording of conveyances affecting real estate," approved August third, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight, be amended by adding thereto the following words:

Discharge of  
mortgage

"And any such mortgage or conditional conveyance may be discharged by an entry in the margin of the record thereof, signed by the mortgagee or mortgagees, or his or their legal representative or assignee, acknowledging the satisfaction of the mortgage or conditional conveyance, in the presence of the Register of Deeds, who shall subscribe the same as a witness, and shall make an entry of the said discharge in his book of indexes, which entry shall refer definitely to the mortgage or conditional conveyance so discharged; and such entries shall have the same effect as a deed of release duly acknowledged and recorded."

Releases on mar-  
gin to be valid

SEC. 2. That all releases of mortgages of real estate heretofore made and recorded on the margin of the record in the county in which said mortgage is recorded as provided in this Act, are hereby made valid and effectual to all intents and purposes.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

AMOS COGGSWELL,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY,  
President of the Senate.

Approved February second, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, MINNESOTA, }

February 2nd, 1860. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

J. H. BAKER, Secretary of State.

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## CHAPTER XLIII.

### *An Act to provide for the Election of Court Commissioners.*

SECTION 1. Election of Court Commissioner—term of office.

- SECTION 2. Qualifications—powers—compensation.  
 3. Oath and bond required of Court Commissioners.  
 4. Commissioner to procure books and keep record.  
 5. Shall keep office at county seat.  
 6. Repeal of Public Statutes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:*

SECTION 1. At the next general election and once in every three (3) years thereafter there shall be chosen in each organ- Court Commis- sioner—term ized county, one person who shall be called a Court Commissioner who shall hold his office for the term of three (3) years, and until his successor shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. Court Commissioners elected pursuant to the preceding Section shall be men learned in the law, and shall possess all the other qualifications required of Judges of the Qualifications— powers—fees District Court; and shall have and may exercise all and singular the judicial powers of a Judge of the District Court in vacation, and shall receive as compensation for their services the fees prescribed in the Act entitled "An Act conferring the powers of Court Commissioner upon Judges of Probate," approved August fourth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

SEC. 3. Before entering upon his duties each Court Commissioner shall execute to, and file with the Treasurer of his county, a bond in the sum of two thousand (2,000) dollars with To give bond surety to be approved by the Treasurer, conditioned for the faithful performance of the duties required of him by law, and shall take, and subscribe to, an oath of office, which shall be filed with his bond, with the County Treasurer.

SEC. 4. Each Court Commissioner shall procure suitable Shall keep record of proceedings books at the expense of the county and keep a record of all proceedings had before him, which books shall be delivered to his successor in office.

SEC. 5. The Court Commissioner shall keep his office at the Office to be kept at county seat county seat of his county.

SEC. 6. So much of the Act approved August fourth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and found on page one hundred and sixty-six (166) of the Public Statutes as confers the powers of Court Commissioner upon Judges of Probate is hereby repealed; Statutes repealed—Judges of Probate to continue to hold office for ten days *Provided*, That Judges of Probate who have qualified as Court Commissioners according to law, may continue to exercise the duties of Court Commissioners until ten (10) days after the next general election; *Provided, further*, That nothing in this Act shall prevent the same person from holding at the same time the office of Judge of Probate and that of Court Commissioner.

AMOS COGGSWELL,  
 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY,

President of the Senate.

Approved, March sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

ALEX. RAMSEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, MINNESOTA, }

March 6th, 1860. }

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J. H. BAKER, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER XLIV.

### *An Act to encourage the destruction of Blackbirds.*

- SECTION 1.** Bounty per hundred for blackbirds' scalps.
2. Auditor and Justices to give receipt—Commissioners to issue warrants.
  3. County Auditor to make return to State.
  4. Act to take effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :*

**SECTION 1.** That any person or persons delivering to the Auditor or any Justice of the Peace of his or their respective County, any number of blackbirds' scalps, not less than fifty at any one time, shall be entitled to the following bounty, viz: For all blackbirds' scalps so delivered between the first day of March, and the fifteenth day of June, at the rate of forty cents per hundred, and—

From the fifteenth day of June to the last day of February, following, the amount of twenty cents per hundred.

**SEC. 2.** The Auditor or any Justice of the Peace shall on delivery of such blackbirds' scalps, give a receipt therefor, stating the date of delivery, the number of scalps received and the amount due therefor, which receipts shall at the annual meeting of the County Board be presented to the same, and the said County Board shall then cause warrants on the County

Bounty for black-  
birds' scalps

Auditor to give  
receipt—Com-  
missioners to issue  
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